STARSMORE VISITOR AND NATURE CENTER 2120 S. Cheyenne Canyon Rd. Colorado Springs, CO 80906 719-385-6086

Hours are from 9 am to 5 pm everyday. Autumn to late Spring 9 am to 4 pm.

Free Admission

Construction began in 1918 and finished in 1922 by William Starsmore and his son Jim.

After Jim's passing, Mary, his wife, sold the house to McDonald's.

Then the city of Colorado Springs Parks and Recreation acquired it with hopes of establishing a future nature center.

In 1990 preparations were made to move the house from Nevada and Cheyenne Blvd. to its present location at North Cheyenne Canyon. It took 11 hours to transport the 212 ton house.

It opened in May 1992.

How to get there by bus

Take Route 4 from the downtown terminal which leaves at .15 after the hour 7 days a week. Ride all the way to the end of the line which is the Broadmoor Hotel. When you get off the bus, walk in the direction the bus is facing to the first cross walk on your left. Walk across the street past The Golden Bee Restaurant to 1st Street. Turn left. Walk past the front of The Golden bee Restaurant, and that is where you catch the free Shuttle Bus to Seven Falls.

When you get off the shuttle bus, take the path that people walk through from Seven Falls to South Cheyenne Canyon Road. Turn left heading north. Walk across the street against the traffic for about 1/2 mile. The Starsmore Nature Center is on the corner of South Cheyenne Canyon and North Cheyenne Canyon Road.

The Starsmore Nature Center is wheelchair accessible.

Inside you will learn about 3 types of rocks and minerals.

See how faults become canyons.

Find out how mountains are formed.

Don't forget the exhibit of night animals.

Learn about our birds.

Walk to the display of 'Who am I' type of bird.

Read about them and lift up the display to see if you were right.

To return home, walk back to Seven Falls up South Cheyenne Canyon Road to catch the free shuttle bus to the Broadmoor..

Most Route 4 buses leaves the Broadmoor at .43 after the hour. The one leaving at .48 after the hour is between 2 and 3 pm. Monday through Friday.

After the summer traffic ends, Seven Falls is only open Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the free shuttle bus.